



Pipeline Design, Construction & Operations Technical Committee

Detection and Assessment

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DC&O Mission Statement

Develop safe, environmentally responsible, cost-effective and reliable solutions for the design, construction, and operation of energy pipelines



Key Emphasis Areas

- **Onshore & Arctic**
- **Offshore**
- **Damage Prevention & Detection**
- **Reliability-Based Design**
- **Integrity Practice Standards**



Technical Programs (2001 – 2004)

1. Prevention of Third Party Damage	\$1,305k
2. Implementing Integrity Standards	\$3,060k
3. Reliability-Based Design Alternatives	\$918k
4. Determination of Max. Safe Surface Loads	\$994k
5. Leak Detection and Notification	\$350k
6. Prevention of Critical Pipeline Strains	\$1,363k
7. Solutions for Adverse Crossings	<u>\$245k</u>
	\$8,235k



What does DC&O have in our 5-year plan?

- ➔ **Implementing Integrity Standards**
 - Technologies into Methodologies for Reliability and Safety
- ➔ **Reliability-Based Design for Alternatives**
 - Flexibility to Innovate & Address
- ➔ **Prevention and Notification of 3rd Party Damage**
 - RoW Security, Best Practices, Locate & Mark,
- ➔ **Determination of Maximum Safe Loads & Strains**
 - Static & Dynamic Surface Loads, Seismic, Subsidence
- ➔ **Leak Detection and Notification**
 - Active Laser & Passive, Satellite Aircraft & Ground Based
 - Gas & Oil



Failed To Locate 2nd & Cut Branch

➔ Locate & Mark

- Difficult Situations
- Harbors & Deep Pipe

➔ One Call Tracking

- Web Site
- All Six Activities
- Communications





Detection and Notification of 3rd Party Damage

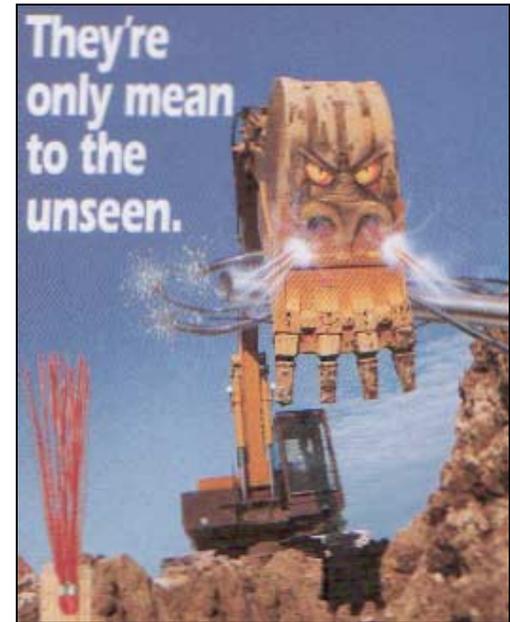
Detection – Best Practices,
Ensuring RoW Security, Locate &
Mark, One Call Performance

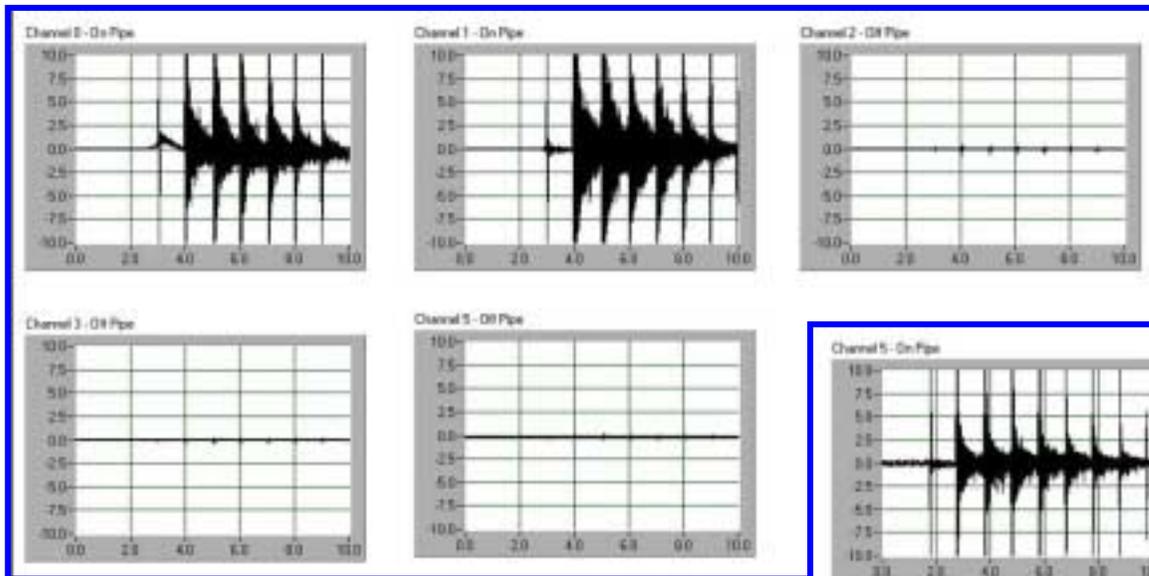
Real Time Detection – Acoustic,
Aircraft, Electrical, Fibre Optics

Objective

Replace Observers

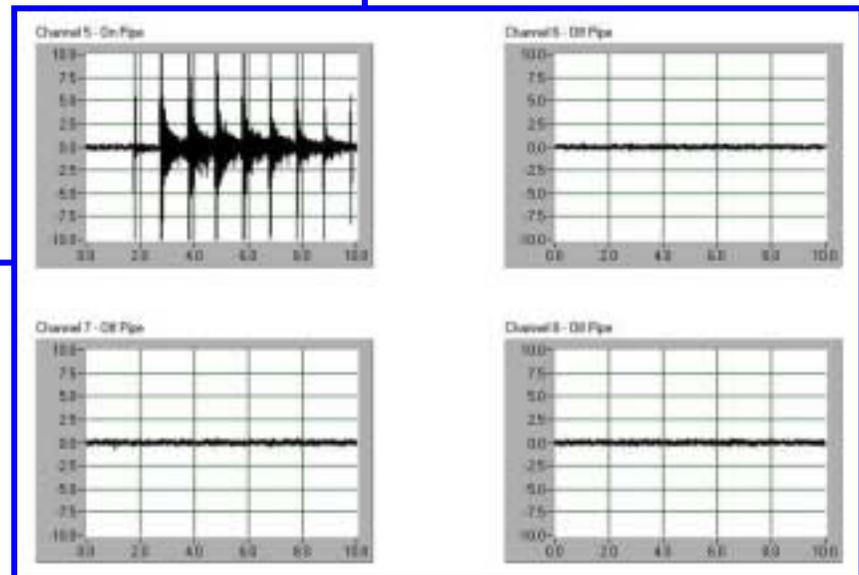
Security & Reliability Validation





Near Site

Duke Site Signal From Coating Removal



Far Site





Non-authorized Trespass



Radar on Optical
IR for Activity



Prevention Challenges

➔ Methods

- Establish Gaps in Proven Best Practices
- Accelerate an ASME Prevention Standard
- Quantify Benefits for Investment
- Improve Communications

➔ Tools

- Review Commercial, Developing, and possible Combinations of Sensors
- Lower risk with Case Studies
- Invest in Potential Winners beyond 2005



Maximum Safe Loads & Strains

- Safe Static & Dynamic Surface Loads
 - Finite Element Models, Centrifugal models & Full-scale Tests
 - Methodology into Software?
- Subsidence & Landslides
 - Software Auto Detects, Classifies & Notifies
 - Need More Aircraft & Satellites – Too Few Images
 - Need Affordable Images – Real Alternative
 - Need Improved Sensors



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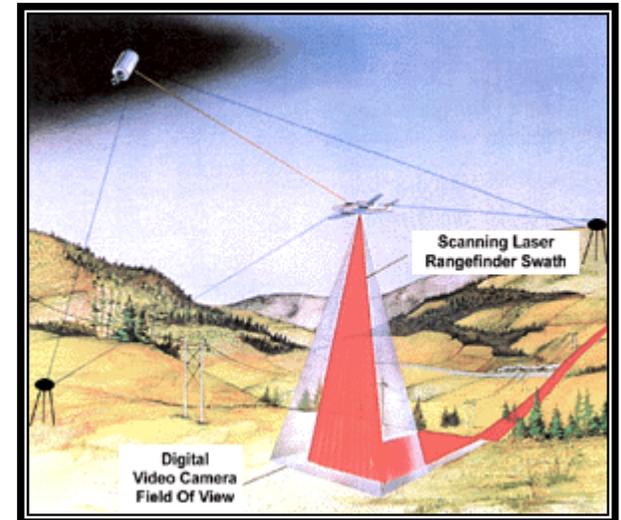
Technology for Energy Pipelines

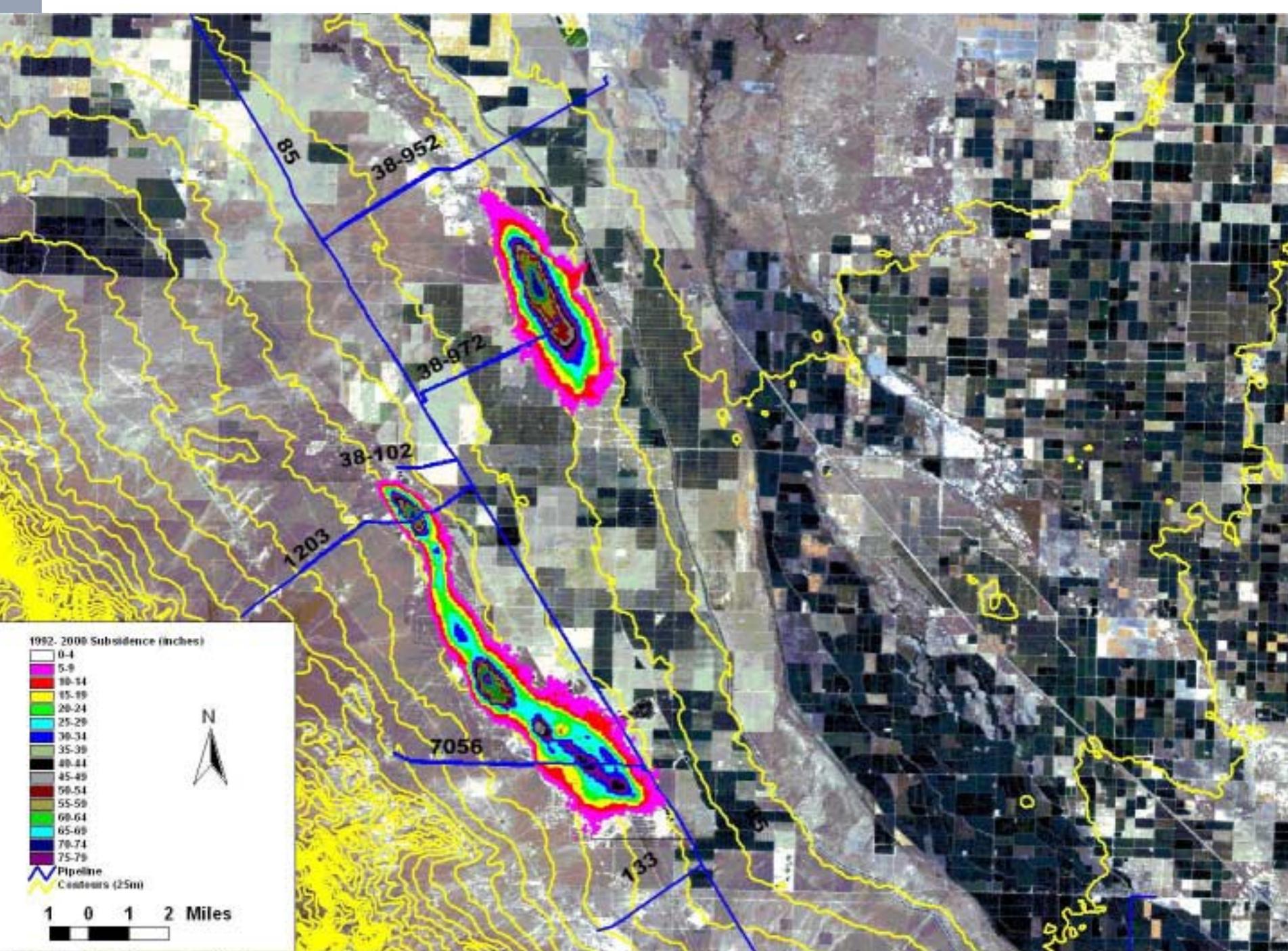


Earthquake & Landslide Detection

Monitor at < cm resolution

Survey by Laser Rangefinders
Excavate and add Strain Gauges





1992- 2009 Subsidence (Inches)





Assessment Challenges

- ➔ **Calibrate Improved FEM Techniques**
 - Small Scale Modeling
 - Full Scale Calibration
- ➔ **More Sensors by Land, Air and Satellite**
 - Multi-spectrum, Smaller Spot, Multi-image Integration
- ➔ **Better, Faster Detection & Discrimination to Reduce False Calls**
- ➔ **Case Studies to Reduce Risk**



Leak Detection and Notification

– Gas

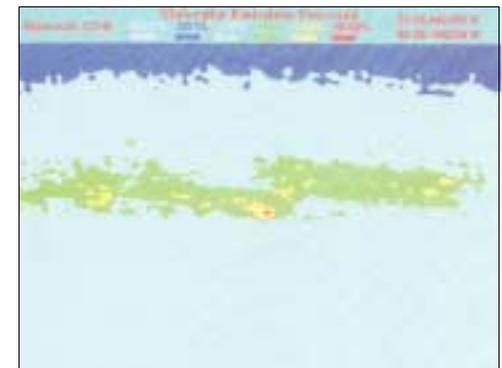
- Methane/Ethane Detection
- Improve Range past 30 ft
- Multi-spectral Imaging
- Ground, Aircraft & Satellite

– Oil

- Computational Improvements



Optical Image



Detection Image



Leak and Notification Challenges

- ➔ **Better Sensors – Increase Magnitude by 10^3**
- ➔ **Improve Resolution**
- ➔ **More Choice in Platforms**
- ➔ **Demonstration Reduces Risk**



Performance Issues and Challenges:

- ➔ **Drive R&D from “Cost” to “Investment”**
- ➔ **Must Demonstrate Benefits**
 - to the CEO & Accountants
 - the Engineers
 - Regulators & Public
- ➔ **Need Business Not Regulatory Premises**



Design Construction & Operations

➔ Path Forward

- Learn & Share with others
- More & Better Sensor Resolution
- More Frequent Sampling
- Model & In-Field Calibration
- Drive Down False Positives
- Standardize Alternative Methods & Practices
- Encourage Innovation





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